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BODY FLUIDS

RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed June 25, 2004, Applicants elect the determination of LBP levels in subjects with Crohn's disease, and Applicants request examination of this species together with the generic claims 1-4. This paper is timely filed with a one month petition for extension of time. Please charge any deficiencies to Deposit Account No. 13-2855.

Should the Examiner have any questions, he is respectfully invited to telephone the undersigned.

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Respectfully submitted,

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